

CLAIMS

1. (Amended) An O/W emulsion semitransparent cosmetic comprising the following components (a)-(d):

- (a) a ceramide,
- (b) an oil component containing a sterol and an isostearic acid,
- (c) a nonionic surfactant, and
- (d) water,

with a mean particle diameter of 100-300 nm.

2. The semitransparent cosmetic of claim 1, wherein the nonionic surfactant (c) is a polyoxyethylene hydrogenated castor oil.

3. The semitransparent cosmetic of claim 1 or claim 2, wherein the mass ratio of the total amount of the ceramide (a) and the oil component (b) to the amount of the nonionic surfactant (c) is 1.2:1 to 3:1.

4. (Deleted)

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6. (Amended) The semitransparent cosmetic of any one of claims 1-3, wherein the nonionic surfactant (c) is a polyoxyethylene (60) hydrogenated castor oil.